2020 Peninsula Gateway Corridor Study

The City/County Association of Governments (C/CAG), together with the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), and the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA), are sponsoring a study to identify potential roadway-related solutions that can reduce traffic congestion in the study area. The study area is illustrated on the next page and includes portions of the following cities:

- Redwood City
- East Palo Alto
- Menlo Park
- Atherton
- Palo Alto
- Mountain View

At the time that the existing approaches to the Dumbarton Bridge were being developed, the magnitude of the traffic that would be using the Bridge was not fully recognized. The seriousness of the congestion that has since developed has created major problems for local communities. This study is the first step in approaching this problem. The Peninsula 2020 Gateway Study is also one of the recommendations that came out of the Bay Crossing Study done by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

The purpose of this study will be to identify and analyze the complete universe of short, medium and long-range options for addressing congestion problems relating to the approaches to the Dumbarton Bridge and Highway 101 between Routes 84 and 85. There will be many political and environmental hurdles to coming up with acceptable solutions to the congestion in this area. This study will need to result in information and data that will enable the dialogue on potential solutions to be productive.

This study will focus on roadway improvements. Transit alternatives are currently being reviewed separately by a number of other agencies.

